

THE ADVISORY BOARD TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
ON CERTIFICATION FOR OPERATORS OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS

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MEETING

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A P P E A R A N C E S

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

DARRIN PRICE, Chairman

LYNN FORSBERG

MARIE POLLOCK (Telephonically)

HARVEY JOHNSON

CAMERON MCKAY

CHET ACKLEY

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

JANET HESS

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1 RENO, NEVADA, THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2006, 9:20 A.M.

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4 1. CALL TO ORDER

5 CHAIRMAN PRICE: We do have a quorum so we
6 will go ahead and get started. I would like to welcome
7 you all to the meeting of the Advisory Board to the State
8 Environmental Commission on the Certification of
9 Operators of Public Water Systems.

10 I'd like to begin before we do the roll call
11 with saying a big thank you going out to Doug Zimmerman
12 and John Walker for their outstanding help in making sure
13 that the Advisory Board continues in its existence at the
14 Environmental Commission meeting. Doug gave a real good
15 report on the Advisory Board. I had to get up and say a
16 few words as well.

17 And the Environmental Commission has
18 confirmed the entire Board to continue in advisory
19 capacity, and with that confirmation, I'd also like to
20 welcome officially Harvey Johnson of IVGID to the Board.
21 Welcome, Harvey.

22 MEMBER JOHNSON: Thank you.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Also Marcellus Jones, who is
24 excused today. He did let us know that he is in Denver
25 and could not attend today's meeting.

1 With that said, Mr. Secretary, could I have
2 the roll call.

3 2. ROLL CALL

4 MEMBER MCKAY: Darrin Price.

5 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Here.

6 MEMBER MCKAY: Lynn Forsberg.

7 MEMBER FORSBERG: Here.

8 MEMBER MCKAY: Marie Pollock.

9 MEMBER POLLACK: Here.

10 MEMBER MCKAY: Harvey Johnson.

11 MEMBER JOHNSON: Here.

12 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Cameron McKay.

13 MEMBER MCKAY: Here.

14 Chet Ackley. Marcellus Jones. Chet Ackley
15 is here.

16 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Welcome, Chet.

17 MEMBER MCKAY: Perhaps we could go around the
18 room and have everybody introduce themselves.

19 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I think that would be
20 appropriate. We will start with you, Tom.

21 MR. HOFFERT: I am Tom Hoffert with Carson
22 City Public Works.

23 MS. KAYE: Debbie Kaye, Certification
24 Administrator.

25 MS. GUTHRIE: Annette Guthrie, Certification

1 Manager, California-Nevada Section.

2 MS. HESS: Janet Hess, your attorney.

3 MR. WALKER: John Walker, State Environmental
4 Commission.

5 MR. ZIMMERMAN: Doug Zimmerman, NDEP.

6 MS. MONTECINOS: Crystel Montecinos,
7 Environmental Consultant.

8 MR. FOERSTER: Bob Foerster, Nevada Rural
9 Water.

10 MR. BROCKWAY: Steve Brockway, NDEP.

11 MR. QUINTERO: Raul Quintero, Las Vegas
12 Valley Water District.

13 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

14 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Welcome, everyone. Is there
15 any public comment before we get started, especially if
16 anybody would like to see anything on a future agenda for
17 this Advisory Board to discuss?

18 Seeing no public comment, we will move on.

19 We have the approval of the minutes next.

20 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

21 MEMBER ACKLEY: Move to approve.

22 MEMBER FORSBERG: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: We have a motion and second
24 on the floor. Is there any further discussion?

25 Seeing none, I'll call for the vote. All

1 those in favor please signify by saying aye. Any
2 opposed? Motion carries.

3 (Whereupon, the motion was put to a vote.
4 and carried unanimously.)

5 5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

6 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Agenda Item No. 5 is
7 election of officers. It's that time of year, again,
8 where we need to elect the officers of the Board. I'd
9 let the Board know I have appreciated serving in the
10 Chairman's capacity. Kelly, when he left the Board, I
11 was Vice Chairman at the time and assumed his duties.

12 But it is time to elect the officers. So
13 with that said, I'll open it up for discussion.

14 MEMBER MCKAY: I would like to state that
15 because Darrin didn't do a full year, I think we should
16 reelect him for another year as Chairman.

17 MEMBER POLLACK: I'll second that.

18 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I would say she's next in
19 line. That is why she seconded.

20 MEMBER MCKAY: I would like to make a motion
21 that Darrin Price stay on as Chairman for one more year.

22 MEMBER ACKLEY: I could support that, too.

23 MEMBER JOHNSON: So could I.

24 MEMBER FORSBERG: Me, too.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: All right. We have a motion

1 and a second on the floor. Is there any further
2 discussion? Any discussion from the audience?

3 I'll call for the vote. All those in favor
4 please signify by saying aye. Opposed? None. Motion
5 carries.

6 (Whereupon, the motion was put to a vote.
7 and carried unanimously.)

8 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thank you.

9 MEMBER MCKAY: Congratulations, Mr. Chairman.

10 MEMBER FORSBERG: Condolences.

11 6. UPDATE ON THE WORKBOOK AND TRAINING FOR NEW
12 BOARD MEMBERS (ORIENTATION)

13 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Agenda Item No. 6 is the
14 update on the workbook and training for the new Board
15 members. Annette, is this you?

16 MS. GUTHRIE: Yes, this is me. So basically
17 the workbook is already in progress and presentations are
18 done, so I just need a date from you on when you would
19 like for me to present that.

20 CHAIRMAN PRICE: How long would this
21 orientation be?

22 MS. GUTHRIE: About four hours.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Do you have a preference
24 that this be done at a conference or can you come up here
25 and do this?

1 MS. GUTHRIE: Yes.

2 CHAIRMAN PRICE: So we just need to gather
3 the Board together.

4 MS. GUTHRIE: Yes, just pick a day and I'll
5 be here.

6 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Any discussion from the
7 Board? I guess can we pick a month or a date that is
8 appropriate for all the Board members to get together?

9 MEMBER MCKAY: Why not at a Board meeting.

10 MEMBER POLLACK: That would work for me.

11 MEMBER MCKAY: We would have everybody
12 together, then, either an afternoon meeting and have the
13 training in the morning?

14 CHAIRMAN PRICE: How does that sound?

15 MEMBER FORSBERG: I think that will work.

16 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Our next Board meeting is
17 approximately three months from now in June.

18 MEMBER ACKLEY: Make sure we do our Board
19 meeting at the conference for AWWA. I think it is June
20 14th.

21 MS. KAYE: It is the week of the 12th through
22 the 16th.

23 MEMBER ACKLEY: Just so we leave that week
24 alone.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: That week is out.

1 MS. HESS: Excuse me for a minute. I notice
2 that you are taking things out of order. You are now
3 down to Item No. 12.

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Or 11.

5 MS. HESS: I mean 11.

6 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thank you for drawing my
7 attention to that, Janet.

8 Let's just do this. Shall we wait?

9 MEMBER MCKAY: Let's table it.

10 MEMBER ACKLEY: We can do that.

11 CHAIRMAN PRICE: We will table this. Before
12 we move on from this, I was going through my box of
13 stuff, because I have been on the Board for a few years
14 now, and I wanted to pass out some things that I thought
15 would be relevant to some of the newer Board members.
16 One is -- and I would like to get from NDEP an updated
17 form.

18 I have here the travel expenses and
19 reimbursement and how some of the stuff works. Currently
20 according to this letter, which is dated April 20th of
21 2004, it talks about the maximum motel rate being \$58, of
22 course the per diem, the mileage and some of the airline
23 stuff. So I wanted to give this to Harvey and Marcellus.

24 Also the Division of Environmental Protection
25 travel record that is required to be filled out for those

1 of you who travel to these meetings and need to be
2 reimbursed for that as part of the Advisory Board.

3 MEMBER POLLACK: Darrin.

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Yes.

5 MEMBER POLLACK: I think it would be a good
6 idea to put all that stuff together in a packet and give
7 it to each Board member. That way everybody has got it
8 and there is never a question, well, I didn't get that.

9 CHAIRMAN PRICE: You know what I'm going to
10 do, I'm going to meet with Annette later, and I'm going
11 to give her some of this stuff, too, and maybe when we do
12 the orientation we will have a complete packet of all the
13 stuff in there as well.

14 Does that sound okay?

15 MEMBER POLLACK: I think that would be a good
16 idea.

17 CHAIRMAN PRICE: In the meantime, just a
18 couple more things. This is the code of ethics for the
19 State of Nevada Public Water Systems Operators as well.
20 Harvey, I didn't know if you had a copy of that. Like I
21 said, I just grabbed some of the things that I saw in the
22 box.

23 This is a deadline schedule for the Operator
24 Certification Board meetings. It talks about seven weeks
25 prior requesting the agenda, what happens by two

1 and-a-half, two weeks prior, et cetera. This was put
2 together by Julie Flanagan a long time ago. That is good
3 to have as well, Harvey. Any other Board members that
4 want to grab one of these.

5 If any of the audience would like some
6 copies, I have one available, too.

7 This one right here was the remote video
8 conferencing site. I believe Crystel was the one who had
9 given me the name of the gal to contact who sent me this
10 information.

11 What it has on the back is the Nevada net
12 system that shows the video teleconferencing sites across
13 Nevada, and this one is a real good one to have because
14 should we choose to do some of their remote training that
15 we talked about in the past in some of the areas, these
16 are the links for their high schools, libraries, et
17 cetera. It also has the contact information, some
18 e-mails, phone numbers, faxes, et cetera.

19 MEMBER MCKAY: I think it was Phil Walsack
20 who put that together.

21 CHAIRMAN PRICE: This one right here is the
22 timing of Nevada Administrative Code changes for proposed
23 regulations. This one I got from Amy -- I'm trying to
24 remember her last name -- Rourke, the Bureau Chief over
25 at State of Nevada Health Protection Services for a

1 while?

2 MR. BROCKWAY: Rourke.

3 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Anyway, this has on it the
4 processes and how everything flows through the
5 Legislature should we or when we have further
6 modifications to the regulations at some point. This one
7 was very helpful to me. So Harvey, I give that one to
8 you.

9 Again, Annette, we will get together and
10 throw all this stuff together.

11 Anyway, with that said, that is all I have as
12 far as the handouts. Again, we will get a nice packet
13 together when Annette and I meet and everybody else who
14 wants to provide some input on that.

15 7. DISCUSSION OF CLASSES AND EDUCATION AVAILABLE
16 IN NEVADA TO MEET NEW GRADE III AND GRADE IV
REQUIREMENTS.

17 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Agenda Item No. 7 is the
18 discussion of classes and education available in Nevada
19 to meet the new Grade III and Grade IV requirements.

20 Now I know myself, I received a call from
21 Mike Murphy of the Incline Village GID who expressed a
22 lot of concerns with the requirements, and mostly his
23 concerns were of not being able to get the education
24 because of some of the remoteness -- I didn't ever
25 consider Incline that remote -- but getting the education

1 to meet this requirement. So I would open it up to the
2 Board for discussion.

3 One question that I had was, Annette, can you
4 tell me approximately how many of the classes available
5 through the Water College are available via
6 correspondence?

7 MS. GUTHRIE: None.

8 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Has the Section ever looked
9 at making some of those available via correspondence?

10 MS. GUTHRIE: I would have to talk to Nicole
11 about that because I know that's Nicole's department. I
12 would have to check with her on that.

13 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Debbie, do you know?

14 MS. KAYE: Ken Kerri is the one that I know
15 of that is available through correspondence, and anybody
16 can sign up for that, and that meets the requirements of
17 the post-secondary education requirements.

18 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Mr. Murphy had expressed
19 that he had taken many of the Ken Kerri courses, and
20 years and years ago, and did not want to repeat them. He
21 was looking for some new opportunities, not only to meet
22 the requirements but to receive some additional knowledge
23 and education.

24 MR. BROCKWAY: He could have taken them 20
25 years ago. They are still good.

1 MS. KAYE: If you can get the certificate
2 from --

3 MR. BROCKWAY: I talked to him.

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: He called you, too?

5 MR. BROCKWAY: I have talked to him many
6 times. I think he called a lot of people.

7 CHAIRMAN PRICE: For the sake of the
8 reporter, we do need to identify ourselves first. I
9 apologize for that.

10 MR. FOERSTER: Bob Foerster, Nevada Rural
11 Water. I saw Mike Murphy's letter also, and his concern
12 is shared by some operators, and I think what we need is
13 some more education on those requirements, because it's
14 good to have water specific college classes, but as Steve
15 was saying, almost any college class that's related to
16 water, such as computer class, English class, a business
17 class. There is a whole spectrum of course work that
18 will apply to those units.

19 I think we will talk about that in the
20 training coalition this afternoon. Maybe another article
21 would be appropriate. I think more education is needed.
22 We can publish an article in Water Lines, and that will
23 start to meet that need.

24 MEMBER MCKAY: I was just curious, to
25 Annette, how many people pass through the Water College

1 in a given year? Do you have an idea?

2 MS. GUTHRIE: No, I don't have an idea of
3 numbers. Even when it comes to training and educational
4 courses, the Water College can go anywhere as long as
5 there is a need. If there is a need in a certain area,
6 the Water College can go anywhere as long as you just
7 contact the office and let them know that you have a
8 certain amount of individuals at this location, and they
9 find everything. They will find the site, they find the
10 instructor.

11 MEMBER McKAY: Is there a cost involved with
12 that?

13 MS. GUTHRIE: Yes.

14 MEMBER McKAY: What would that cost be? What
15 does it cost to run the school?

16 MS. GUTHRIE: Well, it all depends. For like
17 a course, I have a lot of that stuff, because I was going
18 to bring it up in the training coalition meeting.

19 MS. KAYE: Phil Walsack and Far West, they
20 are doing all of that free through the SRF. Those meet
21 the post-secondary education requirements. And those are
22 going to be all over the state, from what I understand,
23 for this next year.

24 Is that correct?

25 MEMBER McKAY: We have had one so far.

1 CHAIRMAN PRICE: That is correct.

2 MS. KAYE: I know there is more scheduled, is
3 what I thought. And that's free.

4 Is there a way to somehow link that to the
5 website, the operator certification website of schedule?
6 I don't know if there is something we can put on the
7 website.

8 Because I direct a lot of people there when I
9 get phone calls from operators, and if there is an
10 information, maybe a write-up on post-secondary education
11 requirements and just kind of summary, summarize what's
12 required, what meets the requirements.

13 MEMBER ACKLEY: I wanted to jump in for just
14 a second. I also talked to Mike Murphy and talked to him
15 for quite a little while. I think he had a lot of good
16 points.

17 What I got from his conversation was not so
18 much worrying about if he was going to be accounted for
19 like repeating the Kerri course or not or whatever. The
20 issue I got from him was that he felt that the levels,
21 Grade III's and Grade IV's, he didn't feel like he would
22 have been adequately prepared to take the exam. I think
23 it was more of a knowledge base.

24 And what I suggested, and I actually asked
25 him to come here -- I don't know Mr. Murphy -- is

1 Mr. Murphy here?

2 CHAIRMAN PRICE: No, he is not.

3 MEMBER ACKLEY: I actually asked Darrin, I
4 couldn't invite him, have the Chair invite him to this
5 meeting.

6 But I think that maybe what we could do as an
7 example, a lot of us have a lot of different backgrounds
8 on this Board, working with the Nevada Training Coalition
9 and maybe kind of put together some type of a little
10 subcommittee -- I don't care; I'll work on that if you
11 want -- but to try to put together to try to draw to the
12 heart of what Mr. Murphy really wants. And then, work
13 with maybe the Water College and the Training Coalition
14 to try to maybe put together a package.

15 Now I know we can't change the way we're
16 doing things overnight. That's impossible.

17 But at least we could throw that out, say
18 this is kind of like what we're trying to do, we're
19 working up a cost with the Water College, we're going to
20 offer this -- we're trying to try to come up with the
21 funds, et cetera, to offer this like maybe twice a year,
22 something. And make sure we aren't redundant.

23 There are a lot of things going on already.
24 Why reinvent the wheel. And have Mr. Murphy -- it
25 wouldn't bother me to have him review our committee.

1 That's fine with me. And if we can try to get to the
2 heart of this thing.

3 Because what he shared to me, also, that kind
4 of concerned me, was that there is a lot of his peers --
5 and I don't know, I don't know the truth; I mean, I'm
6 sure he told me the truth -- it seems like there was a
7 lot of folks at the Grade III and Grade IV level that
8 were experiencing this problem. That is why at the Board
9 I wanted to bring it up, if we could address it and maybe
10 come up with a solution that will be long range.

11 I know we can't do it overnight. But at
12 least we can address his concerns and try to put together
13 a program together.

14 But I think we have the knowledge on this
15 Board, we have treatment, we have distribution, at the
16 highest levels covered, a lot of variety of backgrounds.
17 I think that maybe working with the Training Coalition,
18 the Water College, we can put something together.

19 Now I know it is not free. I know that.

20 Like Debbie said, we already have Phil
21 Walsack walking around doing a lot of grade education.
22 Like Cameron said, there has been one class. And I mean,
23 that's great. But is that -- I think it's more than one
24 class.

25 And Phil is doing a great job. Maybe Phil

1 should be on this group. That's my recommendation. I'll
2 leave it at that.

3 MEMBER JOHNSON: I also talked with
4 Mr. Murphy, and a big problem that he has is what he
5 would like to see is a list of materials that he can just
6 pick up and that's what he would be strictly studying by.
7 There is a list of materials to study with.

8 MEMBER MCKAY: And there is a range of
9 knowledge.

10 MS. KAYE: We have all that.

11 MEMBER JOHNSON: That was one thing he did
12 bring up.

13 MS. GUTHRIE: I also spoke to Mike Murphy,
14 and basically he expressed the same concerns that there
15 wasn't adequate like prep material and that he was
16 getting inconsistent feedback from his peers about what
17 materials he really should be concentrating on and
18 studying. I think that was part of the problem as well.

19 MEMBER FORSBERG: I did not talk to
20 Mr. Murphy, but I have had a couple of people ask me,
21 particularly from the eastern side, northeastern side,
22 how they are going to know what to study. We came back
23 to the same thing. There is a range of knowledge that
24 you have to know, well, in any college course.

25 They don't teach you the test. They teach

1 you what you need to know to take it.

2 I think that point was well taken. Then
3 that's the way I look at it. We're not here to teach a
4 test. We're here to train operators.

5 MEMBER POLLACK: That does not guarantee that
6 the operator will be able to pull that knowledge when he
7 needs it. Do you understand what I'm saying?

8 CHAIRMAN PRICE: No, not yet. Keep going.

9 MEMBER POLLACK: You need to have that range
10 of knowledge in order to be able to pull it when you need
11 the information.

12 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I agree, Marie.

13 MEMBER ACKLEY: We're on the same page,
14 Marie.

15 MEMBER POLLACK: Okay, sometimes we're not.

16 CHAIRMAN PRICE: So it appears we need to get
17 out the information regarding the education requirements
18 just a little better defined, maybe a little more black
19 and white. And also remind me again, I know there is a
20 range of knowledge, and I know there is suggested study
21 materials.

22 Is there a comprehensive list of available
23 classes, though? It's just available materials; correct?

24 MEMBER POLLACK: I believe so, because we
25 never know what classes are available at what time. I

1 mean, that changes by provider. When the provider
2 schedules a specific class, they may not give every class
3 every quarter or whatever.

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thanks, Marie. Bob.

5 MR. FOERSTER: Bob Foerster.

6 The Training Coalition does publish Water
7 Lines, which has a list of classes upcoming, and we try
8 to update that every quarter. We try to capture all the
9 classes that are being offered around the state.
10 However, we don't list courses available on the Internet
11 and everything you can possibly go to to get this college
12 credit.

13 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Any more thoughts from the
14 Board?

15 I know Water Lines gets out to a lot of
16 operators in the state.

17 Steve.

18 MR. BROCKWAY: Steve Brockway, NDEP.

19 I have one question for Annette. The Water
20 College brings classes into Nevada, what is the minimum
21 number of students you need?

22 MS. GUTHRIE: I believe it is 15.

23 MS. KAYE: Debbie Kaye.

24 I know that our utility, we have brought the
25 Water College in several times. I mean, we have

1 scheduled the employees off and entered into a contract
2 with AFWWA to bring it in and offer the classes to our
3 employees. I mean, I know that we'd be willing, TMWA
4 would be willing to offer up a facility if Reno is a
5 central location and if we can somehow pull something
6 together. We have the space now to have some bigger
7 classes.

8 MEMBER MCKAY: That would be great because
9 Rancho Cucamonga, everybody has to travel down there from
10 anywhere in California to go to those classes. It would
11 be nice to have a central place in Nevada itself.

12 MS. GUTHRIE: When I talked to Mike Murphy,
13 too, I also directed him to courses that we offer through
14 the Water College, and his biggest concern was there
15 wasn't very many offered in Nevada. I did express to
16 him -- and his was availability of finding the form,
17 because I sent him the range of knowledge, and I guess he
18 had never seen that before. I sent him a lot of things
19 that seemed to answer his immediate questions.

20 For the Water College, all you have to be
21 concerned with is you have the need and the Water College
22 sets up the location, instructor and everything else.

23 MEMBER MCKAY: Did you talk to him?

24 MS. KAYE: No. I missed that opportunity.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I know I recently received

1 an e-mail from the Section about the Water College just
2 stating, would you be willing to sponsor a site, that
3 they'd set it up, just like Annette said. My only
4 concern was -- and Debbie, it is very appreciated that
5 TMWA would offer that -- is how do we get it out to the
6 rural folks and then gather them together, the 15 or 20
7 that are needed in Winnemucca and Eureka.

8 MS. KAYE: Because it is 36 hours. I mean,
9 it's scheduling stuff. We decided to do it all in one
10 shot, and it is a really tough thing to get a 36-hour
11 college level class done in a week, and by the end of the
12 week, those guys were whipped. It's not easy and you
13 have homework every night.

14 So actually I think that the statistics show
15 that if you can spread it out a couple of nights a week
16 over a period of time, their attention is better. It's
17 logistics when we do have so many small.

18 MEMBER FORSBERG: I would imagine the costs
19 go up when you spread it out, also.

20 MS. KAYE: It depends on who is the
21 instructor and whether or not they are local or traveling
22 from somewhere to come and teach.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Annette, has the Water
24 College ever talked about using video teleconferencing to
25 remote sites for this type of training?

1 MS. GUTHRIE: That part I don't really know
2 about. I would have to contact Nicole.

3 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Because Cameron and I were
4 actually talking about this the other night, that the
5 remoteness of some of these systems in Nevada requires
6 that we use some of the existing technology to reach
7 them. So we thought, well, what is that? That's the
8 Internet, it's phone lines to get on out to these remote
9 sites, the video teleconferencing. If that is the only
10 way to go, we need to explore that more.

11 To me, I thought the video teleconferencing,
12 if the Water College had the capabilities, that the
13 instructor could be in Rancho Cucamonga, video
14 teleconferencing to a few sites around Nevada, we would
15 just need to work out how to structure the training so
16 that the instructor felt comfortable with they were
17 receiving it, they were learning it, and how you would
18 work out the testing, et cetera.

19 MS. KAYE: You would have to have somebody
20 proctor a final exam.

21 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Sure.

22 MEMBER FORSBERG: What was Chet's suggestion
23 earlier?

24 MEMBER ACKLEY: I talked about maybe forming
25 like a little sub work group to kind of put all these

1 pieces together and hopefully make a presentation at
2 least by our next Board meeting.

3 I know it's going to take a while, because I
4 know that. But at least by the next Board this sub group
5 could report back to our Board, or to this whole group
6 what we have come up with.

7 That's what I was talking about. Everything
8 would be on the table, whether it be Water College,
9 modifications of Nevada Training Coalition, maybe video
10 conferencing. Kind of put our arms around it so we know
11 what we're talking about.

12 MEMBER FORSBERG: I think that is an
13 excellent suggestion.

14 MEMBER POLLACK: You probably ought to
15 include Crystel.

16 MEMBER FORSBERG: I was looking at her.

17 MEMBER POLLACK: She does all that stuff.
18 She knows where those sites are and everything else.

19 CHAIRMAN PRICE: With that said, this
20 actually is not an action item, it is informational. I
21 believe that a subcommittee of, say, Chet, probably not
22 you, Annette, but the other gal.

23 MS. GUTHRIE: Nicole.

24 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Nicole. Let me ask you
25 this, Debbie. Do you think Nicole would be open to do

1 that?

2 MS. KAYE: Yes, you need to be working with
3 education.

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: So we would be looking at
5 Chet, Nicole with the Cal-Nevada Water Works Association
6 Section, Crystel Montecinos, if she'll do it. Would you
7 be interested, Crystel?

8 MS. MONTECINOS: Sure I would.

9 CHAIRMAN PRICE: At least one member from the
10 Training Coalition. Bob Foerster, would you be willing
11 to do that?

12 MR. FOERSTER: Sure.

13 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Appreciate it. Cameron, I
14 guess I would be okay if you were on there, too.

15 MEMBER MCKAY: You didn't ask me.

16 CHAIRMAN PRICE: So what do we have now,
17 four? Tom, how would you feel about something like that?
18 Would you be interested in participating in a
19 subcommittee to do this?

20 MR. HOFFERT: Sure.

21 CHAIRMAN PRICE: So now what are we up to?

22 MEMBER ACKLEY: Six folks.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: That's probably enough. Is
24 there anybody else in the room that has an interest in
25 participating in this?

1 MEMBER ACKLEY: I would almost like to have
2 somebody with the State to kind of look over our
3 shoulder. Maybe Steve Brockway could just kind of
4 look -- I'm not asking you to do more work, Steve, but
5 maybe you guys can keep your hands in it, or John,
6 whoever, somebody from the State.

7 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I'm sure all of you would be
8 available for feedback once the subcommittee gets going.
9 Now the only thing we need to talk about would be the
10 time frame.

11 MS. HESS: I think that you can discuss the
12 time frame maybe after the meeting. Because you know
13 that you are going to have an end date, and the end date
14 is going to be the next Board meeting.

15 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thanks for keeping us in
16 line, Janet.

17 MS. HESS: You can exchange telephone numbers
18 and everything after you are adjourned.

19 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Is there any further
20 discussion on that?

21 We will do our best to make Mr. Murphy happy.
22 But it is going to help all operators, too.

23 MR. HOFFERT: I would just say that it's not
24 just Mike Murphy.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: That is my small attempt at

1 humor.

2 MEMBER McKAY: He works for Harvey and he
3 used to work for me, so we all know him.

4 8. CA-NV-AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION (AWWA)
5 PROGRESS REPORT

6 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Let's move on, then. Agenda
7 Item No. 8 is the progress report from the Cal-Nevada
8 American Water Works Association. Annette Guthrie.

9 MS. GUTHRIE: There is nothing really to
10 report on as of yet. Obviously, the test is starting
11 Friday. So I don't have any analysis reports to report
12 to you.

13 But that will be for the next, I guess, Board
14 meeting.

15 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Well, Annette, I would just
16 say, Darcy's replacement was recently hired. Her name
17 is?

18 MS. GUTHRIE: Beth Kang.

19 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Beth Kang. Where did she
20 come from and what is her background?

21 MS. GUTHRIE: Debbie. Debbie knows more than
22 me.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: The reason I asked is
24 because I'm looking forward to meeting her, not only as
25 the new executive person over at the Section, but because

1 I would anticipate she attending our meetings at some
2 point in the future so that she can see not only what the
3 Board does, some of the work that we do, but we establish
4 that relationship, because the Section is our contract
5 administrator for a lot of this stuff.

6 Anyway, Debbie, do you know more about her?

7 MS. KAYE: Beth Kang, she is coming from --

8 MEMBER POLLACK: You are going to have to
9 step up to the phone a bit.

10 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Sorry, Marie.

11 MS. KAYE: She has over 20 years of
12 experience working with nonprofits doing training, is
13 very familiar with the water industry. So she is a very
14 well-founded candidate.

15 She will be starting with the Section, she
16 will be attending the D.C. fly-in for AFWWA the last week
17 of March, and she will be actually reporting to the
18 Section office on April 3rd.

19 We're very excited to have her. She has a
20 lot of experience.

21 CHAIRMAN PRICE: One other question out of
22 curiosity. Is all the contract stuff, all of that is
23 taken care of and done, as far as the administrative
24 portion with NDEP?

25 MS. GUTHRIE: That's something that I guess

1 was going to be up for discussion.

2 MR. ZIMMERMAN: Mr. Chairman, Doug Zimmerman.

3 I talked just very briefly to Annette and
4 Debbie just prior to the meeting here just to give them a
5 heads up that that contract actually expires this year in
6 October of 2006. So I said I wanted to bring it up to
7 the Board and get some feedback, and perhaps this could
8 be at the next meeting, too, as an agenda item, however
9 best to handle it, a recommendation from the Board of
10 continuing with that contract, continuing with the AWWA
11 testing versus the ABC testing.

12 So those things -- it is really these
13 comments are driven by the fact just that the contract is
14 up for renewal or it expires October of this year, and
15 this would be the time to discuss those things. I would
16 like to get some feedback from the Board on continuing
17 with that.

18 I think the other thing we will have to
19 address, too, is the fact that this is now a Board
20 reporting to the State Environmental Commission and the
21 Commission has a staff, John Walker here, who can do some
22 of the functions that AWWA may have been doing under that
23 contract. So there may be a natural transition into kind
24 of the NDEP framework versus the Health Division
25 framework as to what the scope of that contract would be,

1 some of the noticing of the meetings and that type of
2 thing John and his staff can handle. But again, those
3 are details to work out with AWWA, specifically, to
4 actually get into contract negotiations.

5 CHAIRMAN PRICE: John looks excited back
6 there.

7 MR. WALKER: You are looking at my staff.

8 MR. ZIMMERMAN: I'm certain one of the things
9 we do not want to take on is the testing and the
10 coordination of all that. That is a big workload. Steve
11 would hit me over the head here if I suggested anything
12 different. I know we will continue to need that
13 assistance from some organization.

14 MEMBER MCKAY: Doug, would it be possible to
15 have a draft copy of that for the next meeting, or is
16 that a little too early?

17 MR. ZIMMERMAN: We could identify, have a
18 draft scope of work, yes, and we could have some
19 discussions with AWWA in that time period. In fact,
20 June, the timing sounds good, because to get a contract
21 in place for October, we better be working on it by June,
22 and it has to go to the Board of Examiners and a number
23 of steps that we have to go through. So that timing
24 probably would be good. We will try to have a draft
25 scope of work that we can present.

1 MEMBER McKAY: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Chet.

3 MEMBER ACKLEY: I never thought I would be
4 saying this, but I guess I'm the senior member on the
5 Board. Gee, that gives me kind of the willies. I used
6 to be young.

7 But I wanted to say something for myself as a
8 Board member relative to Darcy Burke. I want it in our
9 minutes. I know everyone is going to share this same
10 thing.

11 But I think the best way to say is that I
12 sincerely overwhelmingly appreciate Darcy Burke's hard
13 work and efforts to bring us where we are. I just want
14 to make sure that's in the minutes. She is a dynamic
15 person. I'm glad we're getting a new Executive Director.
16 But Darcy really put us I think in the forefront.

17 So I want to acknowledge that in our minutes
18 and thank her very much for her professionalism, hard
19 work and high energy.

20 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Well said, Chet.

21 So going back to this just for a minute, I
22 agree, I would like to see a scope of work that is
23 available from staff, Doug, that would be agreeable with
24 your staff as well. A copy of the contract of the scope
25 of work that the Section is currently doing and

1 everything that is available, and have it be placed on
2 the agenda for our next meeting for discussion and a
3 decision. So we will need that information to go out to
4 all the Board members so that they can take a look at it
5 and bring their comments and suggestions to the next
6 meeting.

7 Do the other Board members agree?

8 MEMBER FORSBERG: Yes.

9 MEMBER ACKLEY: Yes.

10 MEMBER POLLACK: Yes.

11 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Is there any further
12 discussion on that?

13 I would say the Section has been doing a
14 great job. Annette, you and Darcy have done a great job
15 on this, and we appreciate it.

16 9. UPDATE ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING
17 OF MARCH 8, 2006

18 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Let's move on to Agenda Item
19 No. 9, which is the update on the Environmental
20 Commission meeting of March 8th.

21 Doug.

22 MR. ZIMMERMAN: Mr. Chairman, I brought a
23 copy of the actual motion that the State Environmental
24 Commission passed. And Darrin was at the meeting. I
25 know it is a fascinating meeting.

1 Just to let you know what occurred at the
2 meeting, I gave a brief presentation, the Commission had
3 several questions. We had drafted this motion for them
4 ahead of time, and they acted unanimously to pass this
5 motion as written.

6 So as you will see there, I think the one
7 specific direction that the Commission is providing to
8 the Board is to work in this cooperative mode with the
9 waste water treatment plant folks and see if there are any
10 opportunities for improvements in consolidation of the
11 programs.

12 I characterize that as a two-year effort that
13 I thought we would be looking at that.

14 Actually, I'll talk a little more about that
15 in a minute here in the staff reports. But anyway, it
16 was a unanimous vote, and I think they recognize the
17 importance of the Board, and having that, tried to stress
18 it really is a valuable asset to us to have an
19 organization representation of the certified operators, a
20 way to communicate with you. Because there is over 1200
21 certified operators. You serve a very important role for
22 us.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Some comments I would like
24 to make. Doug, thank you, again. I thought you did a
25 great job.

1 But I think this is an appropriate time to
2 talk a little bit further about what Doug just mentioned.
3 Harvey is actually on the Waste Water Board. Is it a
4 Waste Water Coalition Board?

5 MEMBER JOHNSON: It's the Waste Water
6 Certification Board. It handles all the certifications
7 for all the operators.

8 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Something interesting of
9 note is we are the only Advisory Board that reports to
10 the Environmental Commission. I was actually surprised
11 to learn that.

12 They are expressing an interest in expanding
13 the roles of this Board in a lot of different areas that
14 kind of scare me a little bit, but we are going to have
15 to discuss them.

16 First let me say that if you look on the
17 sheet here, the reappointment of the Advisory Board is
18 for a period of at least two years. So approximately
19 every two years we will have to go back before the
20 Environmental Commission for reappointment.

21 And they also did express an interest in, as
22 it says there, possible consolidation or opportunities to
23 improve both the programs. So what we need to do is we
24 need to try and figure out a way to meet with the Waste
25 Water Advisory Board to meet these Board members and

1 learn a little bit more about them and discuss some of
2 these options, I guess. I'm not quite sure how to go
3 about that.

4 MS. HESS: The way that you do that is that
5 you advertise a joint meeting, and by the way, when you
6 have a joint meeting and an agenda for both meetings,
7 what you need to do, be sure that you get your agendas in
8 sufficient time to John Walker to post on the website or
9 the meetings won't be allowed to happen, because with
10 your being part of the SEC, it requires that the notice
11 be posted.

12 MEMBER POLLACK: Could you please get closer
13 to the phone?

14 MS. HESS: Let me state this again. I just
15 wanted to mention that the way that you could do that is
16 publishing a joint meeting. It is very common to have
17 two commissions like Washoe County Commission and Storey
18 County Commission to meet. You publish both the agendas
19 for both the groups.

20 I was just mentioning that the Advisory Board
21 needs to get to John Walker in sufficient time to put all
22 of their agendas and their minutes on the website,
23 because now that they are part of the SEC, it is required
24 that the minutes be posted on the website. It's a
25 statutory requirement.

1 MEMBER POLLACK: Okay.

2 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Did you get that, Marie?

3 MEMBER POLLACK: Yes. We can go to the
4 website and get the minutes for that meeting. And it
5 probably wouldn't hurt to look into that at least for
6 their last couple of meetings to catch up on what they
7 are doing and try to get an idea where they are headed
8 before we actually meet with them.

9 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Janet.

10 MS. HESS: You can't -- you can get things if
11 you have something in writing, but the thing of it is,
12 the purpose of having a joint meeting is to have open
13 discussion between the two Boards. That is the purpose
14 of that particular meeting.

15 So that you are going to have a lot of
16 discussion listed on various items that you are going to
17 have on the agenda.

18 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thank you, Janet.

19 MR. ZIMMERMAN: Mr. Chairman.

20 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Hold on a second, Marie.
21 Doug.

22 MR. ZIMMERMAN: Mr. Chairman, you remember at
23 the last meeting NDEP had written a letter, and I shared
24 that letter -- in fact, I think I read it to you -- the
25 letter that NDEP had sent to the Waste Water Treatment

1 Plant Operator Board, and it was requesting that they
2 respond by I think it was February 17th, as you will see
3 in this letter here, with answers to several questions
4 that they had. You will see this is I guess what I would
5 call a preliminary response that they came out with which
6 basically said to poll their members and find out if
7 their members were satisfied with the program, what they
8 thought needed to be changed. It's going to take them
9 more time.

10 They provide some background information here
11 about their Board and when it came into existence, that
12 type of thing. So the next step that we see from NDEP --
13 and I don't have an update for you on when they think
14 they will have that survey back. I see, Harvey, you are
15 the vice chairman of that Board, or at least on this
16 letter you were CC'd that way.

17 MEMBER JOHNSON: Yes, I am. Part of that was
18 the Board felt that they could not speak for all the
19 operators in Nevada. That is why they went out with a
20 survey. The survey has gone out. I don't believe it has
21 been compiled as yet.

22 But they will be compiling that to get the
23 response from all the operators, the certified waste
24 water operators in the state of Nevada.

25 MR. ZIMMERMAN: I think once that survey

1 comes back we will all have a sense, at least from the
2 operator perspective, on the waste water side what if
3 anything, any recommendations they have. I guess the
4 timing with that would probably need to be looked at
5 then, of course, if you are going to have a joint meeting
6 with that Board. I think that would be some valuable
7 information to have.

8 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Is there any further
9 discussion?

10 I guess we need to, Harvey, we need to figure
11 out how we're going to have a joint meeting. Maybe what
12 we do is the next time that you guys have a meeting, you
13 could discuss it with the Waste Water Advisory Board, or
14 Certification Board, and try and get some kind of feel
15 from them, and at our next meeting, if you could ask them
16 for some dates that they would be available to have a
17 joint meeting.

18 MEMBER JOHNSON: I will put it on the agenda.
19 Our next meeting is April 14th. It is actually up here.
20 It is in Carson City. So that we can put that on the
21 agenda.

22 CHAIRMAN PRICE: You will take care of that?

23 MEMBER JOHNSON: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thank you very much. Is
25 there any further discussion?

1 I had a question. It is a little out of the
2 order we have here. Janet, a lot of our existing
3 documents have Nevada State Health Division on them. Do
4 they have to be formally changed by being placed on the
5 agenda and that stuff taking place, or is that just
6 housekeeping that we can take care of?

7 MS. HESS: What kind of information are you
8 talking about?

9 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I'm talking about our code
10 of ethics, the bylaws need to be changed a little bit.

11 MS. HESS: That is a housekeeping and
12 probably as well as on your action agenda next time you
13 are going to have a date for a joint meeting, probably
14 listed on there. You could just have an action about the
15 various things that needed to be changed with them listed
16 on the agenda, and then have an action item there, and
17 then you can go in and change them. It's a housekeeping
18 matter, but it needs to happen at an open meeting, too.

19 MR. WALKER: Mr. Chairman, John Walker.

20 One thing you might consider doing with those
21 documents once they are approved and changed is to send
22 them to me, and I can put them on the website, your
23 website, so they are always there, and that can be the
24 repository where those documents live and reside.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I think that is an excellent

1 idea. Thank you.

2 I was actually contacted by the Washoe
3 District Health by a gal who just became chair of a board
4 they have over there on the certification of
5 environmental people, and I sent her copies of some of
6 this stuff. There is a little housekeeping that needs to
7 be done there.

8 I referred her to the website, and I
9 didn't -- on the prior website on the State Health, the
10 code of ethics was there, but I don't believe it's come
11 over. So like you said, we will get that stuff in order
12 and make sure that you will get it so you can post it.
13 Thank you.

14 Is there any further discussion from the
15 Board or any members of the audience, for that matter?
16 Crystel, you have been quiet.

17 10. STAFF REPORTS

18 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Let's move on to Agenda Item
19 No. 10, the staff reports. Doug, we will start with you.

20 MR. ZIMMERMAN: Well, Mr. Chairman, I think
21 we have actually covered the items I wanted to talk
22 about, the AWWA contract being up for renewal, and then
23 the coordination with the Waste Water Board. Let's see
24 if I can think of anything else to update you on.

25 Well, there is one -- I see changes coming

1 slowly from the Legislative Counsel Bureau. The Senate
2 Bill 395 that transferred the drinking water program from
3 the State Health Division to NDEP has actually been
4 finalized. So now when you go to the legislative law
5 library and you bring up 445A whatever, you get the --
6 you will see it actually says commission is now in place
7 and Board of Health and those type of things. So the
8 statute has been finalized.

9 The regulations, we're still waiting for the
10 Legislative Counsel Bureau, and it's anybody's guess.
11 Probably another three to six months before the
12 regulations are changed and finalized.

13 There will be a number of -- speaking of the
14 housekeeping type of things, beyond just the operator
15 certification regulations, the rest of the regulations
16 that came over from the Health Division, from NDEP, all
17 of those need the same types of housekeeping things that
18 you described, and we have not yet started to schedule
19 when we're going to work through all those and how those
20 will be done. But probably over the next year we will be
21 looking at that process, whether we need to take those to
22 the State Environmental Commission or how that process
23 will actually work. There is a fair amount of
24 housekeeping that needs to be done on the body of law
25 that governs drinking water systems.

1 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Are you going to make John
2 do that?

3 MR. ZIMMERMAN: I hope so.

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Doug, did you have anything
5 else?

6 MR. ZIMMERMAN: That's all.

7 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thank you very much. Steve.

8 MR. BROCKWAY: No, I think everything I had
9 has already been covered. We're testing tomorrow here
10 and next week the 22nd for the general testing.

11 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Steve, I would let you know,
12 my operator who I was talking to that didn't receive his
13 certificate did receive his certificate shortly, like the
14 day after I talked to you. So all that is going okay,
15 then, the certificates?

16 MR. BROCKWAY: We have had some problem with
17 the mail. I don't know, a few of them are a little slow
18 getting out. Some of them we got back wrong address, had
19 to mail out.

20 CHAIRMAN PRICE: So very small percentage?

21 MR. BROCKWAY: Yes.

22 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Did you have anything else,
23 Steve?

24 MR. BROCKWAY: No.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Thank you. Debra Kaye.

1 MS. KAYE: I think that we have 68 people
2 testing here tomorrow. Statewide, the numbers have been
3 pretty consistent I'd say over the last few months. I
4 mean, it seems that we were climbing up, and it seemed
5 like every exam cycle is getting bigger and bigger, but
6 it seems to kind of have plateaued now.

7 Things are going really well with all the
8 proctors in the state. I have got everyone set up pretty
9 much through e-mail and everything goes pretty smooth,
10 now that I got your e-mail address. Right?

11 But I don't have the results because they
12 haven't tested yet.

13 One of the things I did is I ran the numbers
14 for 2005, everybody that tested, the total number of
15 passing and failing. Just thought it might be
16 interesting. And for the entire year 263 examinees
17 passed our test, 218 weren't successful. So that's a 55
18 percent pass rate for the state as a whole.

19 MEMBER FORSBERG: Debra, how many of those
20 that passed during the year were retests; do you know?

21 MS. KAYE: No, not off the top of my head. I
22 could figure that out if you would be interested in me
23 reporting that.

24 MEMBER FORSBERG: I was just curious.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Would that be too much

1 trouble to do?

2 MS. KAYE: No, I don't think so.

3 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I suppose if they were
4 frustrating in not retesting, I would hope we would find
5 out eventually.

6 MS. KAYE: I don't know that the retests are
7 very high, because I typically get to know those folks
8 pretty well.

9 MEMBER McKAY: They call you.

10 MS. KAYE: Yes. I have their cell phones and
11 their phone numbers in my cell phone.

12 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Did you have anything else,
13 Debbie?

14 MS. KAYE: No.

15 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Just a couple of quick
16 comments. One, congratulations on the chairmanship of
17 the Section. I notice you are not wearing your crown or
18 carrying your scepter today.

19 MS. KAYE: Nobody gave me one.

20 CHAIRMAN PRICE: We will have to work on
21 that. That is quite an honor. So congratulations.

22 MS. KAYE: Thank you.

23 (Applause.)

24 CHAIRMAN PRICE: And then one other question
25 I had, I guess I'll refer to you a little bit, Doug and

1 Debbie. Is there a particular format that some of the
2 responses from Debbie come from? I guess in particular,
3 like letterhead that maybe is from the Environmental
4 Commission in particular, or something of this nature?

5 The reason I ask is because I have seen some
6 of the correspondence, and I like TMWA, don't get me
7 wrong, but it's with her utility's letterhead. Is there
8 a formal letterhead or something that she can use so that
9 it goes out?

10 The only thing, Debbie, information and stuff
11 should be on there.

12 MS. KAYE: The only time I use the utility's
13 letterhead is when I'm proctoring. I mean, it's because
14 I'm proctoring the exams. That's just setting up the
15 time and the date. That's the only time I have ever used
16 TMWA's letterhead is just for actual setting up the exam
17 sitting. Everything else comes through the state.

18 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Maybe what I saw was when
19 some of my guys were getting ready to test, you
20 coordinated with them.

21 MS. KAYE: The state sends out you have been
22 approved to test and every proctor notifies, North Las
23 Vegas sends out theirs, Las Vegas Valley, everybody sends
24 out their own, the proctors set up the actual exams.

25 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I just wanted to make sure

1 there was a formal procedure in place for that type of
2 stuff so that it was taken care of.

3 11. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Okay. Agenda Item No. 11 is
5 to schedule the next meeting. Janet, remind me again,
6 too, the subcommittee is just going to talk after this
7 meeting?

8 MS. HESS: After, and exchange telephone
9 numbers and meet with their calendars and set up things
10 that they need to do.

11 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Marie, are you still with
12 us?

13 MEMBER POLLACK: Yeah, I'll still here.

14 CHAIRMAN PRICE: We're scheduling the next
15 meeting. I guess we're looking at June. It's not a
16 super good month for a few folks, I know.

17 MEMBER MCKAY: Debbie, before we used to have
18 the meetings in the middle of the week. Is that still
19 the best time for you?

20 MS. KAYE: You guys do it whenever you need
21 to. Don't schedule it around me.

22 MEMBER MCKAY: Fridays are hard days to stay
23 around.

24 CHAIRMAN PRICE: From some of the
25 conversation earlier, it appears that the week of the 5th

1 or the week of the 19th, probably. That leaves out the
2 week of the 12th through the 16th entirely.

3 Does anybody have a preference for the
4 beginning or the ending of the month?

5 MEMBER MCKAY: The 5th works better for me,
6 Mr. Chairman.

7 MEMBER FORSBERG: The 5th, a Monday.

8 MEMBER ACKLEY: The 5th would be fine.

9 MEMBER FORSBERG: The 5th won't work for me,
10 but after that I can.

11 MEMBER MCKAY: Is that a Monday, the 5th?

12 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Yes, it is.

13 MEMBER MCKAY: How about the 7th, a
14 Wednesday? I would suggest also that we start at 1:30 in
15 the afternoon, which allows for the training for the
16 Board members prior to that.

17 CHAIRMAN PRICE: How about Tuesday, the 6th?

18 Marie, I assume all these dates are open with you now
19 that you are retired?

20 MEMBER POLLACK: Yes, I'm retired, so they
21 are all open for me.

22 MEMBER MCKAY: Which one is good for you,
23 Lynn?

24 MEMBER FORSBERG: The 6th would work, or the
25 morning of the 7th. If I'm not traveling.

1 MEMBER McKAY: Well, first of all, Crystel,
2 would you be able to work with Annette and set up a video
3 conferencing to Elko for this?

4 MS. MONTECINOS: Yes.

5 MEMBER FORSBERG: If you want to do it that
6 way on the 7th, I can do that.

7 MEMBER McKAY: Well, if we are going to do
8 Board training in the morning, then let's have it on the
9 6th in the afternoon starting at 1:30 in the afternoon.
10 That allows training in the morning and lunch and then we
11 can get started. How does that sound?

12 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Does that sound good to the
13 rest of the Board? So June 6th, it will be an all-dayer.

14 MS. GUTHRIE: Where is the meeting going to
15 be?

16 MEMBER McKAY: Crystel will get us some
17 rooms.

18 MS. MONTECINOS: You need four hours for the
19 morning?

20 MEMBER McKAY: Four hours for the morning.

21 CHAIRMAN PRICE: And the meeting in the
22 afternoon.

23 MEMBER McKAY: Meeting in the afternoon.

24 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I would just assume all day,
25 Crystel, the entire day.

1 MS. HESS: Mr. Chairman, may I ask one
2 question? Who gets your agenda together? If you would
3 like for me to proof it or anything. Did you take good
4 notes about the action items that we need to have?

5 MS. GUTHRIE: For today? That is why we have
6 the reporter.

7 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Okay. So our next meeting
8 will be June 6th via video teleconference to all those,
9 to all the Board members and all those who would like to
10 attend as well.

11 MS. GUTHRIE: So there will be several
12 different -- I guess we're going to be at different sites
13 or we'll all be at one? There is going to be workbooks.

14 CHAIRMAN PRICE: She brings up a good point.
15 If we are doing this orientation for the Board.

16 MEMBER POLLACK: We all need to show up
17 there.

18 MEMBER MCKAY: Well, if you can get the
19 orientation books to the satellites, that will work, too,
20 won't it?

21 MS. GUTHRIE: However you guys want to work
22 it.

23 CHAIRMAN PRICE: I kind of feel it is better
24 if we are all together, like this setting right now. And
25 that day doesn't work for you then, does it?

1 MEMBER FORSBERG: It would still be okay
2 because I can travel that night to get back. It would be
3 okay.

4 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Would that be all right?

5 MEMBER FORSBERG: Yes. Let me think. The
6 problem is the 5th is my 31st wedding anniversary. Okay?

7 MEMBER POLLACK: Yeah, you are going to miss
8 that for this Board meeting; right?

9 MEMBER FORSBERG: I try not to forget that
10 one. My wife has forgotten it, but I haven't. That is
11 the portion, the tough part. Maybe I can get her to come
12 out of town with me.

13 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Come to Reno.

14 MEMBER FORSBERG: Keep it on there and we
15 will make it a date.

16 MEMBER POLLACK: There you go.

17 CHAIRMAN PRICE: The 6th it still is.

18 I guess I would throw out real quickly, too,
19 is there any feel from the Board that you would want to
20 have it somewhere else? In the past we have had some
21 meetings over there in Elko. Does everybody prefer Reno?

22 MEMBER POLLACK: I don't have a problem with
23 Elko. Either one is fine with me.

24 MEMBER ACKLEY: Whatever the pleasure is.

25 MEMBER FORSBERG: Reno is fine with me.

1 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Let's do Reno, then. Our
2 next meeting will be June 6th, it will be an all-dayer
3 here in Reno, with the entire Board present.

4 MEMBER MCKAY: UNR, Crystel?

5 MS. MONTECINOS: We can get a room at UNR.

6 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Now I know it isn't on the
7 agenda, but are there any items that some of the Board
8 members would like to see on our next agenda? Anything
9 other than what we have discussed today that they would
10 like to see placed on there? Or members of the audience
11 for that nature.

12 12. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

13 CHAIRMAN PRICE: Okay. With that, Agenda
14 Item No. 12 is meeting adjournment.

15 MEMBER ACKLEY: I move to adjourn.

16 MEMBER FORSBERG: I'll second.

17 MEMBER POLLACK: I'll second.

18 CHAIRMAN PRICE: We have a motion and second.

19 All those in favor please signify by saying aye.

20 Opposed, none. Motion carries.

21 (Whereupon, the motion was put to a vote.

22 and carried unanimously.)

23 (Meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.)

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6 and a notary public in and for the County of Washoe,
7 State of Nevada, do hereby certify:

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